GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:754
ANSWERED ON:17.05.2002
FUNCTIONING OF NGO(S)
VSM (RETD.) COL. CHOUDHARY

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the NGOs functioning in the country which are given grants by his Ministry;

(b) the grant given to each of such NGOs during each of the last three years, NGO- wise;

(c) whether the Government have nominated any nodal agency to monitor utilization of the funds given to these NGOs;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether some irregularities and mis-appropriation of funds have come to the notice of the Government during the audit of these NGOs; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and action taken by the Government against such NGOs?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA)

(a) to (f) A statement is laid on the table of the House.
A STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (f) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTIN NO.754 TO B ANSWERED ON 17.05.2002

(a) & (b): The names of the functioning in the country to whom grants (of Rs.1 lakh or more)were given with the details of grants during the year 1999-2000, 2000-01 are included in the Annual Reports of this Ministry for the respective years. The names of NGOs which where given grants by the Ministry for the 2001-02 are also included in the Annual Report for the year 2001-02 which is under print.

(c) & (d): Although no nodal agency has been nominated to monitor the utilization of funds the NGOs in receipt of grants from the Ministry are required to submit utilization certificates through the respective State Governments monitor the functioning inter alia the utilization of the funds received by the NGOs from the Government. In some casesspecial reports are called for and inspections are also got conducted by this Ministry.

(e) & (f) Yes Sir. On reports of misutilisation of the grants by NGOs,show-cause notices are issued and further release of grant to the concerned NGO is suspended. If after due enquiry misutilization offunds is proved, the NGOs are directed to return the funds and on their failure to do so, action is taken to seize the assets of the NGO throughthe State Government for recovery of the funds and if necessary, as arrears of land revenue.